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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106(f)(1), is amended by deleting the subdivision and substituting instead the following:

(1) Except as provided in subdivision (f)(2), each member of the general assembly must be paid a monthly expense allowance of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) to provide for expenses necessitated in connection with the member's official duties when away from the seat of government including, but not limited to, telecommunications, office, secretarial, and other assistance or incidental expenses. The monthly expense allowance authorized by this subdivision (f)(1) must be annually adjusted by a growth rate equal to the percentage change in the consumer price index, as compiled by the bureau of labor statistics in the United States department of labor, for the twelve-month period immediately preceding September 30 of each year. Such adjustment must not exceed three percent (3%) in any year. The monthly expense allowance must not be decreased below one thousand dollars (\$1,000). The first such adjustment takes effect November 6, 2018, and must include an adjustment utilizing a compound annual consumer price index growth rate for the twelve-month period immediately preceding each September 30 for years 2005-2018.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 3-1-106(f), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) Upon annual application by a member of the general assembly, and express approval by the speaker of the appropriate house, a member may transfer funds from

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the member's postal and printing allowance to be used by the member for the purposes authorized in this subsection (f). The transfer authorized by this subdivision (f)(3) is subject to the availability of funds in the member's postal and printing allowance.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect November 6, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.